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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT: Comptroller's Meeting - 17 June 1976, to
Review the Status of Obligations Through
31 May 1976

1. Attached for your information are copies of the vu-graphs used to present the data for discussion at the Comptroller's Meeting on 17 June and the Memorandum for the Record describing the discussion.

2. Recommendations agreed to of particular significance to your Directorate are:

- a. In the meeting it was agreed that \$372 thousand would be transferred from non-personal services savings in the Operations Directorate to cover remaining unfunded hard requirements, which include telephone costs, overseas housing, PCS travel, and other overseas costs. In re-examining the data after the meeting, however, it appears to make more sense to have you cover these requirements by reprogramming funds from your personal services surplus, and you should proceed accordingly. Also, you may reprogram \$46 thousand from personal services savings for Headquarters road repairs.

- b. In acting upon our request for funds to cover the costs of the October 1975 Pay Act, the Congress reduced our request by [REDACTED]. At the meeting last month, it was agreed that each component would absorb a share of that reduction. Accordingly, the amount appearing in the T.Q. column of your 1977 Congressional request [REDACTED] million) will be reduced by [REDACTED] thousand.

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c. Unfunded requirements totaling [REDACTED] million during the T.Q. have been identified. As agreed last month, these requirements will be met by reducing the non-personal services funds in the T.Q. column of the 1977 Congressional by a proportionate share. Your portion is [REDACTED] million. We will then add to your allotment [REDACTED] million to cover your unfunded T.Q. requirements, including [REDACTED] cargo transportation, telephone costs, and the IC Staff move. The net effect of these actions will be that your non-personal services funds will be slightly more than the amount included in the T.Q. column of the 1977 Congressional, but your overall allotment will be slightly less as a result of the reduction in funds to cover the Pay Act. You are requested to notify the Comptroller of the programs and activities that will be affected by these actions before 1 July 1976. We will consider them as Agency unfunded requirements to be funded during the T.Q. if sufficient funds are available from unobligated 1976 balances or savings which become available during the T.Q.

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[REDACTED]
John D. Iams
Comptroller

Attachments: As Stated

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OVERVIEW

LAST TIME:

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1. We identified [REDACTED] in hard requirements and [REDACTED] in "other" requirements against estimated savings ranging from \$.546 to [REDACTED].

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2. We agreed:

- A. To allot to the DDA the [REDACTED] unallotted balance of the Reserve release toward covering the IC Staff move;

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- B. To request the Office of Communications to continue blocking funds in the amount of \$370 thousand to cover telephone and utilities costs to [REDACTED] Building and to [REDACTED]

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- C. That components identify programs which can be deferred totalling \$1 million if that action becomes necessary to ensure a minimum unobligated balance at the end of FY 1976 as a hedge against overruns. Amounts to be identified are: DCI, \$1,000; DDI, \$21,000; DDO, \$401,000; DDS&T, \$267,000; and DDA, \$307,000. (It was agreed, however, that final creation of such a hedge would be subject to an OGC ruling on the applicability of Transition Quarter funds against any FY 1976 overruns);

- D. Restrictions on reprogramming remain in force; and

- E. That we should provide for the payment of known hard requirements during the Transition Quarter by adjusting allotments at the beginning of the T.Q.

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OVERVIEW (continued)

SINCE LAST TIME:

1. We took the actions agreed to.
2. We received from the General Counsel an opinion saying that unobligated 1976 balances merge with the T.Q. appropriation on July 1, and after that we look to combined amounts to fund obligations (overruns) against FY 1976 or the T.Q. The action proposed last month to defer programs totalling \$1 million became unnecessary.
3. With the agreement of the Comptroller, the DDA reprogrammed \$.980; \$.709 of which was used to fund previously identified hard requirements and \$.271 to fund other miscellaneous requirements.

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5. We received the House action reducing our 1977 Budget Request by [REDACTED] million and distributed copies to each of you.

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6. [REDACTED]

THIS TIME:

1. We take our next to last look at FY 1976. We will get a special computer output within the next few days projecting obligations through the end of June, but we will not call another meeting unless there is some unforeseen significant change from what we discuss today.
2. We offer recommendations for funding unfunded T.Q. requirements.

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